Kumbhirgram airport. Expansion and modification of the terminal building has been taken up at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.87 crores by Airports Authority of India.

(d) and (e) There are plans for extension of the runway during the 9th plan period, subject to availability of land. A provision of Rs. 5 crores has been kept in the 9th plan for this purpose.

Operating of daily flights between Guwahati and other important cities

3205. SHRI TARA CHARAN MAJUMDAR: : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Airlines has been operating daily flight between Guwahati and other important cities of country;

(b) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to increase daily flights between Guwahati and other important cities of country in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) to (b) Guwahati is airlinked with Calcutta and Delhi from where air connections to other important cities are available. Indian Airlines is, however, operating following flights effective 31.3.97 from/to Guwahati:—

	Frequency per week
Delhi/Bagdogra/Guwahati/Delhi	Thrice
Delhi/Guwahati/Imphal/Delhi	Twice
Calcutta/Guwahati/Calcutta	Ten
Calcutta/Imphal/Guwahati/Calcutta	Twice
Agartala/Guwahati/Agartala	Thrice

(c) and (d) Due to non-availability of spare aircraft capacity, Indian Airlines, has currently no plans to increase service between Guwahati and other important cities in the country. Private operators are, however, being encouraged to add more stations to their networks.

स्वर्णाभूषणों का निर्यात

3206. **श्रीमती मालती शर्मा:** क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान कितने मूल्य के स्वर्णाभूषणों का निर्यात किया गया और इस संबंध में वर्ष-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) इस अवधि के दौरान स्वर्णाभूषणों के निर्यात से कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई;

(ग) क्या सरकार स्वर्णाभूषणों के निर्यात में वृद्धि करने पर विचार कर रही है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री बोल्ला बुल्ली रमैया): (क) और (ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान विदेशों को निर्यात किए गए स्वर्णाभूषणों का कुल मूल्य और उससे अर्जित विदेशी मुद्रा इस प्रकार है:

(मिलियन यू एस डालर में मूल्य)

मद	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97
स्वर्ण	308.60	421.20	480.40	158.21 (अप्रैल-जुलाई)